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PROPAGATION FORECAST: October 10, 11, 12, 13, High Normal; October 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, Low Normal; October 20, High Normal. Thanks N4XX.

DXPEDITION TO EQUATORIAL GUINEA AND ANNOBON ISLAND has not shown yet. Amid the many reports floating about, most of which we have heard, the following letter finally received from EA4LH seems most likely the true story:

"For your information: Spanish DX-pedition to 3C1AA Equatorial Guinea on October 12, and 3C0AB, Annobon Island on October 19, by EA1RF, EA3XO, EA4LH, EA5TD, EA8AK and EA9EO. QSL via EA4LH, good in Callbook since 1970.

Frequencies: 3025, 7025, 14025, 21025, 28025

3795, 7095, 14195, 21195 28595

Rigs: ICOM 701 transceivers, DY1500A linears
TH3 MKIII beam, dipoles

Donations are greatly appreciated. Best 73s, George, EA4LH
Iberia DX Club"

So Equatorial Guinea should be on the air just as you receive this issue of The DX Bulletin; after you work it and fill out the QSL, mail it to: Jorge Cangas, EA4LH, Velazquez 86, Madrid 6, SPAIN.

Note: one source indicates these two expeditions may have been postponed one month, until November. We feel it is better to alert you and be wrong than to not alert you and be wrong!

LICHTENSTEIN, presently active by HB0NL, will be available through Oct. 14. He is working 160 Meters 0430-0600. Look for him in the "window," at 1827/28. Frank can be worked on 80 or 40 Meters CW to arrange a sked for 160.

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A NOTE FROM THE DX BULLETIN CIRCULATION MANAGER (who also now happens to be the Editor, etc. By now you have undoubtedly noticed that the appearance of The DX Bulletin has changed. If you are not interested in the logistics of putting out The DX Bulletin, then skip this section.

The mailing address is the same; the editor is the same; the price is the same; and, most important, the objective is the same.

The appearance is new; the printer is new; the point of mailing is new; and, most important of all, the TIME from editor's typewriter to your mailbox will be halved. Most of you were receiving The DX Bulletin regularly, on time, with no problems. But a few were not. The turn-around time between editor and subscriber's mailbox was not acceptable. The typesetting was great but the cost prohibitive. So we have taken steps to correct the problems which arose as we started up.

From this issue forward, The DX Bulletin is written, printed and mailed from one town. Mail service from central Connecticut is excellent, what with Kennedy Airport just down the road. Printing costs out here in rural Connecticut are better than big city prices and we have been promised very quick service. Try calling a few of your local print shops and tell them you want 2000 copies of an 8-page bulletin printed every week and must have them in 24 hours...most will tell you to forget it. But we found one here.

AUGUST 1979 DXPEDITION TO MT. ATHOS WRAP-UP "The DXpedition to Mt. Athos was the outcome of long discussions with the community of the Holy Mountain and great efforts on the part of all of us. We were notified that we were permitted to broadcast from there on July 20, 1979, and we started out from Athens on the afternoon of Monday, the 6th of August.

"Thanks to SV1DX who put in 12 hours of straight driving, Mt. Athos was on the air at 1430 Tuesday afternoon. Due to the long distance over which heavy equipment such as the generator, xcvr, etc. had to be carried, we were not able to take along antennas for 40 and 80 Meters, and only a compact 12AVQ for 10-15-20 Meters was taken along. The rig we used was a TS520 and we also had an external VFO for split frequency operation. Power was provided by an E300 Honda generator.

"The total time of operation was 70 hours and over 8000 QSOs were made during that time (1000 on CW by SV1IW) with top scorer SV1JG with 2800 QSOs. That makes about 140 QSOs per hour! Most of the traffic was on 20 and 15 Meters because propagation on 10 Meters was very bad with but a few exceptions. Propagation was excellent toward Europe and North and South America as well as Africa and Oceania, but it was very bad toward Asia and only a few stations managed to get through. (cont'd)

"Mt. Athos stopped transmitting at 0200 on August 11th. We wish to thank all amateurs around the world for their cooperation and we look forward to a better achievement in the near future."-SV1s DC, IW and JG.

CRETE ISLAND..."After Mt. Athos dxpedition two of the operators, SV1IW and SV1JG, along with SV1IW's XYL, SV1KP, went to the island of Crete for a vacation style expedition from there. In ten days of staying on the island they made 6000 QSOs with top scorer on that operation SV1IW with 2200 QSOs (a thousand of them on CW). The extra on that DXpedition was SV1KP, Natasha, who put SV9-YL on the air for the first time. Activity was on all five bands on both modes CW and SSB, and propagation was excellent toward Asia and Oceania but it was very bad to North America. We also wish to thank all amateurs for their cooperation on that effort, too."-SV1IW, SV1JG, SV1KP.

VQ9KK on Diego Garcia listens for North America on the low bands as follows: 1300, 3517-18; 1330, 7007; 2300, 3517-18; 2330, 7007. That's during the week...on Saturday Bill listens 3517-18 at 1300 and 0100.

IF YOU WORKED THE EXPEDITION LAST WEEK TO FERNANDO DE NORONHA, your card should go to PY2GWF, Cesar, Box 13873, 01000 Sao Paulo - SP, BRAZIL.

MORE CHINA NOTES Thomas Wong, VE7BC, The "Big Cookie," will be in China again October 12 to November 3. He had dinner with JA6HOZ (who operated from China for an hour, see The DX Bulletin issue 6) on October 6, enroute to China. Wong's work takes him into China by land twice every year as a guest of the top level of the Chinese government. He is Chinese and speaks the language, which helps. The DX Bulletin wishes you good fortune, Cookie.

MONGOLIA Jerry, K9BN, had a QSO with Alex, UA0AJ on Oct. 3...Alex says seven operators from the Krasnoyarsk area have left for operation from JT-land. No callsign info available. They will have multi-rigs and antennas. The intention is to be operational by mid-October, in plenty of time to offer a Mongolian multiplier during the CQWW Phone Contest.

RUMOR MILL: "XZ2BP, four days, Oct. 15-19, not positive yet. Operation by EU types, probably members of YI1BGD group." Unquote.

VE3HRS/TZ...his office in Canada thinks he's still in TN8-land but some have reported him on 14203 and 21310 at various times.

I2FGP will be in TT, TL and TN for one week each in October, CW only.

WESTERN CAROLINE ISLANDS DXPEDITION THIS MONTH! JA1NRH reports that he and JR1JFO, JA1MOH and JH1MCX will operate from Palau Island in the West Carolines group October 18 to 24, 1979. They will use 160-6 Meters as follows: 1803, 3505, 7005, 14030, 21030 and 28030. No specified frequency on 6 Meters, nor SSB. Apparently the emphasis will be on CW operation. As of September 20 they did not know what the callsign would be. The QSL chores will be handled by JA1NRH, Itaru Tomita, 1-2-9 Zaimokuza, Kamakura, 248 JAPAN.

Claire McCoy, wife of W2IYX, passed away the week of September 23. W2IYX is a well-known member of the Long Island DX Association and publishes the Long Island DX Bulletin. We extend our condolences to Harvey and to his family.

HERE ARE A BUNCH OF MISCELLANEOUS NOTES...

New bureau address for AHØ, KHØ, NHØ, WHØ, KG6R, and KG6S is Mariana Islands QSL Bureau, Box 7388, GD/CHRB, Saipan, M.I. 96950. Cards previously sent to the KG6 bureau in Guam are being forwarded.

QSL information for 5H3VT and 5H3KS operation in June by K5VT...send SASE to Vince Thompson, K5VT, 551 Kings Avenue, Apt. 7, Los Angeles, CA 90048.

JR1AOQ runs the "DE 7 MHz DX Info" net every Monday morning (W6 time) at 1300Z on 7007. Its OK to call in for casual contacts after their information is transmitted and the question and answer period is over.

Phil, G3YBH and Al, G4CVZ, will be active from October 26 to 29 on 20, 15 and 10 Meters from the Isle of Man, signing GD3YBH and GD4CVZ. For the CQWW Phone contest a single band operation is proposed on either 15 or 10 Meters, dependent on conditions.

The VR1/VR3/VR7 etc. situation will most likely give NO deletions or additions to the ARRL countries list, according to the DXAC (ARRL DX Advisory Committee).

W4HET and W3ODJ will operate from Grand Cayman Island October 14-20, mostly on CW, signing ZF2BN and ZF2CD, respectively.

A51PN has left for a three-week "tour," and will not be back on the air until about the second or third week of October.

ZD7HH should be on 80 Meters SSB at 0400 Sundays, and also on 40 Meters SSB at 0600 same day. Hal normally works with the "WB8ZJW Net" on about 7175.

If you find mistakes in this publication please consider that they are there for a purpose. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes.



1979
High Claimed Scores
IARU RADIOSPORT CHAMPIONSHIP



MIXED MODE

VE7CC	1,296,743	-	2905	-	119
WB5NXH (K5ZD)	953,607	-	2395	-	113
W1NG	882,455	-	1665	-	133
N3RD (W3XU)	873,126	-	1902	-	111
VE7CMK	852,180	-	2210	-	105
WB8JBM (WB8DQP)	668,900	-	1666	-	100
K9RF (K9GL)	652,458	-	1731	-	111
AG7M	640,098	-	2214	-	86
N9MM	585,486	-	1420	-	99
WBØBMB	572,634	-	1710	-	87
ZL1ADI	2,022,184	-	3041	-	136
G3FXB	1,504,895	-	2500	-	125
I4JCC/5	644,955	-	1559	-	93
YU1ELM	408,645	-	1258	-	81
W1XX/ OHØ	403,590	-	1659	-	66
OK2BLG	371,772	-	1023	-	92
JA2HLX	311,923	-	778	-	86

PHONE

K7RI	1,386,320	-	3374	-	104
W9RE	834,666	-	1833	-	119
WA1TFF	707,404	-	2146	-	103
N4UH	527,345	-	1477	-	95
K9US	426,755	-	1421	-	89
WAØLKL	390,348	-	1512	-	84
KØVUW	379,524	-	1127	-	95
WB6KOU	362,457	-	1562	-	69
K3ZJ	361,890	-	947	-	90
VC3GCO	317,775	-	1031	-	75
VP2ML	1,537,688	-	3501	-	122
5L2AV	1,362,192	-	2632	-	104
KP4EHP	765,090	-	2598	-	90
HB9BAM	660,202	-		-	89
F6BLZ	573,520	-	1834	-	63
EA3AIN	549,179	-	1678	-	73
JR1WHW	467,443	-	1265	-	79
YB2SV	353,532	-	1053	-	68
OK3TAB/D2A	336,768	-	1061	-	64
ZL2HE	309,260	-	904	-	70

CW

K1KI	949,092	-	1578	-	139
N2LT	728,004	-	1682	-	103
W1RR (WA1LKX)	665,100	-	1751	-	100
N4KG (WN4KKN)	635,173	-	1451	-	113
K6LL/7	630,230	-	1840	-	95
K4PQL	577,885	-	1421	-	95
AA5Y	572,117	-	1615	-	91
W7NI	566,973	-	1439	-	99
W5VX	565,607	-	1518	-	97
K3UA	554,190	-	1642	-	91
LU8DQ	1,414,008	-	2311	-	123
JA1YFL (JHØJCJ)	559,680	-	1170	-	110
HS1ABD	529,632	-	1708	-	72
SMØGNU	529,356	-	1316	-	93
KH6NO	495,978	-	1025	-	98
OH8PF	423,555	-	1250	-	85

MULTIOPERATOR

CK7WJ	2,908,800	-	4632	-	160
KL7D	1,634,822	-	3284	-	119
W6RDF	1,482,468	-	3032	-	129
N6TU	1,337,040	-	2687	-	120
N4WW	1,313,882	-	2489	-	149
K5JA	1,295,553	-	2834	-	119
K3LR	1,172,262	-	2675	-	113
W6YX	1,093,840	-	2830	-	110
AI3C	1,080,309	-	2142	-	123
N5AN	1,067,226	-	2936	-	102
VK8BG	2,945,304	-	3537	-	171
G3XBN	1,541,763	-	3038	-	107
OH1VR	1,491,120	-	2847	-	120
VP2MFA	1,216,336	-	4047	-	88
JA3YKC	743,085	-	1565	-	105

Claimed scores received as of
20 September 1979. Complete
results should appear in
February 1980 QST.

de K1WJ/K1KI

RULES, THE DX BULLETIN 1979 WEEKENDER TROPHY COMPETITION

1. Eligibility: All individual subscribers to The DX Bulletin are eligible. One must be a subscriber prior to the weekend in which he or she competes.

2. All CQ WW DX Contest rules apply as to dates, times, log keeping. The entrant must submit an official entry to the CQ Contest Committee per their rules.

3. The entrant must comply with all recognized rules for single-operator stations, i.e., absolutely no help of any kind, including spotting nets, phone calls, etc. In addition, the entrant must operate a station located in the dwelling in which he or she permanently resides - no "guest operators."

4. The entrant shall submit an exact copy of his official CQ entry, plus an alphabetical-by-prefix list of countries worked and a numerical list of CQ Zones worked (1-40), to The DX Bulletin.

5. Any entrant who wins a regular CQ contest trophy will not be eligible for a Weekender trophy.

6. The top entrant each weekend will receive a trophy. In case of a tie, duplicate trophies will be awarded.

7. Results will be published in The DX Bulletin and will also be made available to CQ Magazine for their use.

8. In case of dispute, the decisions of The DX Bulletin staff will be final.

9. Mailing deadline for entries to the Weekender Trophy Competition are the same as those for official CQ entries.

Several readers have already indicated they have set a goal for the CQ Phone Contest and for the Weekender Trophy Competition. No one knows, since there is no past experience, how many multipliers will be needed to win. The two trophies are ready and waiting...

In its final issue before the Phone contest The DX Bulletin will provide a wrap-up of contest propagation and DXpedition information.

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Speaking of contests, the September 28 issue of HR Report lists the candidates for ARRL Board of Director slots in seven divisions. Some of the candidates are DXers and operators, but of course experience has shown that those do not necessarily make the best decision-makers.

The mind is boggled by the offices which are up for grabs but which have been forfeited for lack of competition...both Director and Vice Director in the Dakota Division, Midwest vice-director, Pacific vice-director and Southeastern director. If nothing else, being a director gives one a free ride to as many hamfests as one can stomach, as well as a look at how the League is run behind the scenes.

THIS IS IMPORTANT!!! READ THIS!!! THEN WRITE!!!

The following is printed verbatim from the Sept. 28 issue of HR Report...

"INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR CW requirements are under a real threat as the WARC opens in Geneva, and the problem is thoroughly explored in W1RU's October QST editorial. In it, Dick urges those Amateurs who support the present CW requirement of the International Regulations' Article 41 to make that feeling known to our WARC representatives by writing to Carlos Roberts, Chief of the FCC's Personal Radio Bureau.

"However to Insure that the message gets to the U.S. WARC delegation promptly, Amateurs should also send a carbon of that letter direct to the Office of International Telecommunications Policy, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20520. Additional copies to your senators and representatives wouldn't hurt either."

And now, for your listening pleasure, very limited segment of BANDPASS...

KH6CC/1801/05W/1 VK6HD/3507/12C/2 3D2DB/3798/11C/1

FO8FW/7013/04W/1 5Z4CW/7016/02C/1 HBØNL/7003/03C/1

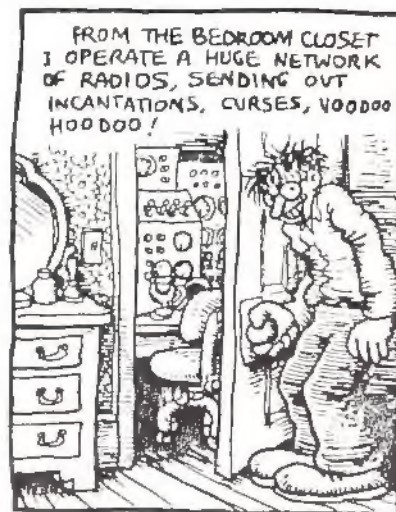
FK8CW/14035/11E/2 HL9VV/216/11C/4 HM2JN/015/11E/1 KG6JBX/332/13E/1
PJ1BR/332/12E/1 VQ9TR/034/13W/1 VS6BA/211/12E/1 VU2USA/005*/11E/2
YB7AAU/029/13W/1 YBØADT/332/13E/1 YJ8XR/214/11E/3 HB9AUV/3A2/050/22W/2 hmmm
3B8CF/028*/14W/1 3D2DB/013/13E/1 3D6AG/205/02C/3

FP8AA/21027/21E/3 GJ4HSW/313/19C/2 N5RM/SU/012/21E/2 UI8SAI/290/03W/1
VP2MFX/310/03W/2 XT2AW/330/22W/2 ZD7BW/355/19C/2 ZD8TC/029/21E/4
3B8CF/276/19C/2

D4CBS/28566/13E/2 EA9IB/290/13E/2 FP8AA/510/13E/2 HZ1AB/515/14E/2
UD6DKU/514/03W/1 UG6JJ/516/14E/2 UH8HAI/023/02W/1 UH8HAI/020/13C/2

Example: HL9VV/216/11C/4 means worked on 14216 at 1100 Z from the Central US on October 4. An asterisk (*) indicates long path.

FINAL NOTE...This wraps up our first issue "on our own." Now please go back to page one and read about what's happening with The DX Bulletin, and then keep those reports coming in. If you're still missing an issue from the past and have requested same, hang on a week or so. We have already filled a number of those requests, and will continue until our stock is exhausted. 73 de your editor and publisher, who is...Jim Cain, K1TN



TNX NGHI

CALENDAR

BANGLADESH	S2BTF should be back on the air any day now
ICELAND	By WB9s UKR, TOU, and AF9K, 8-14 October
EQUATORIAL	3C1AA starts Oct. 12 by Iberia DX Club; CW 25 up, phone
GUINEA	3795, 7095, 14195, 21195, 28595
LICHTENSTEIN	HBØNL through 14 October, 160, 80, 40 CW
OCEANIA	VK/ZL Contest, 13-14 October
BONAIRE	Special call PJ1BR, 1-31 October
CORSICA	FCØFHN by DL1RK, CW only, 13-27 October
GRAND CAYMAN	ZF2BN, ZF2CD, 80-10 CW mostly, by W4HET and W3ODJ
RSGB	21 MHz Contest, 20-21 October
WEST CAROLINE	By JA operators, no callsign yet, 18-24 October; 1803, 3505, 7005, 14030, 21030, 28030, some SSB
ANNOBON	3CØAB starts 19 October; see Eq. Guinea above for freqs.
ISLE OF MAN	GD3YBH and GD4CVZ 26-29 October plus CQ Contest; no low bands.
MONGOLIA	Mid-October to early-November by 7 USSR ops.
AFRICA	I2FGP maybe to TT, TL, TN, one week each in October
CQ PHONE TEST	27-28 October, including The DX Bulletin trophies
MONTSERRAT	4-17 November by W1FB, W1CKK and W1FSB, esp. CW and 160
VIRGINS	British Islands by N6CW and others, 24-30 October
JAMAICA	NØTG and NØWL/6Y5, 23 Nov. to 3 Dec.
MONACO	3A2CX, esp. CW, 23 December starting date

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